



Reed Creek Nature Park & Interpretive Center

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Wetland Park, Raised Boardwalk, Gardens & Trails

Open for visitors daily sunrise to sunset

Interpretive Center Walk-in Visitor Hours

Thursday - Saturday 9am - 7pm (August 12 - October 16)

Thursday - Saturday 9am - 5:30pm (November 4 - December 18)



Interpreter-led Wetland Walks for All Ages (NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Saturdays 6pm - 6:45pm (September 18 - October 16*)

Saturdays 4:30pm - 5:15pm (November 6 - December 11*)

*excluded dates 10/9, 11/13, 11/27

Interpreter-led Wetland Walks for Ages 55+ (NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Fridays 8:30am - 9:30am (September - December)

*excluded dates 10/22, 10/29, 11/26



Reed Creek Program Guide Fall/Winter 2021

IMPORTANT INFO

Class walk-ins not permitted pre-registration required:

<https://secure.rec1.com/GA/columbia-county-ga/catalog>

Children must be accompanied by an adult for all classes except homeschool and afterschool

Tiny Tot Storytime (ages 2-4)

\$5 per family (Pre-registration Required)

A fun story, craft and hike for ages 2-4.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 am - 10:30 am

*Each activity/story will be done twice to allow more families to participate.



9/14 & 9/16 *Dot & Jabber and the Big Bug Mystery* by Ellen Walsh

9/21 & 9/23 *Mr. Seahorse* by Eric Carle

OTHER DATES (stories will be listed on our registration site)

9/28, 9/30, 10/5, 10/7, 10/12, 10/14, 11/2, 11/4, 11/9, 11/11, 11/16, 11/18, 11/30, 12/2, 12/7, 12/9, 12/14, 12/16



Saturday Classes (ages 5-15)

FREE (Pre-registration Required)

Public classes with varying topics designed to educate and inspire participants to explore the world around them.

Saturdays 10 am - 11am



Really Cool Reptiles

Come out and meet all of our awesome reptiles and learn about what makes them different from other animals. During this hands-on class you will meet snakes, turtles, & lizards.

September 11, October 9, December 11



Totally Topographic

Understand the layout of the land with our hands on topography and watershed class. Here we will learn about reading topographic maps, understanding our local watershed and watching how water pollution interacts with both.

September 18



Wetland/Creek Exploration

With dip nets in hand, children will explore and learn about the critters that live in the creek or wetland. **Be prepared to get wet and muddy. Participants must wear closed-toe shoes, rain boots preferred to protect from leeches and trash.**

September 25, November 13



Rocks, Minerals & Fossils! (ages 5-15)

Learn how to identify and classify rocks and minerals, discover the rock cycle and how fossils are made. Enjoy hands-on observation/testing of samples and create your own fossil to take home. Each participant is welcome to bring a rock to share. Please limit sharing to one rock/mineral.

October 2

Saturday Classes (ages 5-15) continued...

Weather Wizards (ages 5-15)

Using outdoor observations and hands-on demonstrations, children will become Reed Creek meteorologists while learning about climate, weather, and storms that affect our area.

October 16

Egg Drop or Bust (ages 5-15)

Experiment with different materials to create an egg drop apparatus to keep your egg safe during our drop experiment. We will drop them from the side of the building to see how well our designs work.

November 6, December 4



Sustainable Saturday

Learn about living sustainably and the three important R's: Reuse, reduce and recycle! Children will calculate their carbon footprint and find ways to reduce it. Then we will focus on how we can reuse, reduce and recycle things in our daily lives.

November 20



Snow Science

Building snowmen, throwing snowballs, skiing, skating and sledding! Snow can be so much fun and so interesting too! Explore the science of snow with hands-on demonstrations to learn about cloud formations, weather patterns and how crystals form.

December 18

Homeschool Science & Nature Club (ages 5-12)



A six-week science program for homeschoolers ages 5-12 that meets on either Tuesday or Thursday from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm.

Choose:

Session 1 (September - October) **OR**
Session 2 (November - December)

We will start each class exploring the wetlands, forests, and gardens that make up Reed Creek Park. After our exploration time children will be divided into two age groups (5-7 and 8-12) so that we can tailor our academic activities to each group.

****Please note that both sessions will cover the same topics. The goal of different sessions is to allow for more families to participate in the program.**

Cost: \$25 for first child \$15 for each additional child (for 6 weeks of class)

Parents are NOT required to stay with children

Afterschool Nature Club (ages 5-12)



FREE and intended for students who are in traditional school classroom everyday. Homeschooled students please try our Homeschool Science & Nature Club.

We will meet Thursday afternoons to explore the wetlands, forests and gardens at Reed Creek Park. Children will learn to identify native plants and animals by sight and sound as we sharpen their senses and encourage interaction with the outdoors.

Session 1: September - October 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Session 2: November - December 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

This class will be outdoors only and rain or shine, so please plan appropriately.

Closed-toed shoes are required, rain-boots preferred.

Parents are NOT required to stay with children

Field Trips/Private Classes/Ambassador Animal Outreach*

Offered on Wednesdays and Fridays.

To Schedule call 706-210-4027 or email reedcreekpark@columbiacountyga.gov

\$2/child for school groups (including homeschool co-ops & scouts)

\$5/person (private family groups)



Wetland Walk & Scavenger hunt

Come and explore the flora and fauna of our beautiful wetland as we take an interpretive stroll to learn about the plants and animals that call it home.

Really Cool Reptiles

Come meet our awesome scaly pals and learn what makes them different from other animals.

Owl Pellet Dissection

Study vertebrate anatomy while discovering what an owl eats

Build a Personalized Class

Our environmental educators are capable of teaching a variety of science topics. If you are interested in a topic not listed, please call to discuss available option

***Live Ambassador Animal Outreach Programs are FREE. Our live animals travel to visit school groups and other organizations as often as we can. Call or email for more info.**

Halloween Festival 2021

We are excited to announce the return of our Halloween Festival! Join us **Saturday, October 30th from 6:30pm – 8:30 pm** for a spooktacular evening! Walk the boardwalk to see some not-so-scary scenes, play games and win prizes in the field and join our dance party. Costumes are encouraged but not necessary.

Pre-registration Cost: \$2/child ages 3-15

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@ Door: \$5/child ages 3-15

Ages 15+ FREE

